

# Editorial

It was the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah, who pointed out many years ago—in specific and concrete terms—that the salvation of the 22 million descendants of African slaves is not contained in an acceptance of crumbs from the tables of old white Massah. Only the healthy food of freedom and independence can possibly enable us to stand on our own feet and carry forth our true destiny.

THUS, THE greatest error in the misguided efforts of too many black leaders in their fruitless search for salvation and "safety" in the integrated white bosom of the slavemaster's children — is their total unawareness of the fact that white America has too little time to save itself, much less share in a righteous future with those whom she has deprived and denied, kicked, ignored and starved as though they were to be eventually exterminated.

The burning question is how long will the so-called Negro continue to disgrace himself at the foot of a doomed white idol? Begging for an "integration" which, at best, could only lead to his total disappearance and at worst in his sharing the inevitable doom which is approaching the white Masters of the Christian West? How long will the so-called Negroes follow the empty preachings of a religion foisted upon them by slavemasters and which, to this very day, contains the seeds of degradation and continued slavery?

HOW LONG will it be before the vast majority of intelligent and knowledgeable Negro men and women turn and honestly examine the program and works of the only black leader who has fought fearlessly for a true solution for the black man in America?

"We are 20 million people coming through (as the old prophets in your 1st book of the Bible says) both trials and tribulation," the Messenger has spoken.

"If we are given freedom, indeed we can go and build for ourselves the same as you have done. Why should not our people, who are educated in your schools, in your colleges and universities for technical engineering; why should not they force and blast a way for their people as a nation, build and construct a government for their own people as you and your fathers did when you crossed the Atlantic?"

"We want freedom indeed! Why should we not want to go away from a people who lynch and burn us? Why should we not want to separate from a people when we see our own brothers falling every night from the blows of so-called peace officers?"

"Why shouldn't we want some of this earth where we can start building a government for the future of our people so that they will not be a subjected people for just labor, year after year for another people?"

IT IS certainly true that a good many of the 22 millions of our people, particularly the educated and professional, looked upon the program of Muhammad and said in private that it is a "good idea" and say that there were other "good ideas in the past."

The truth of the matter is that a "good idea" is not enough to get an oppressed people out of the jaws of the lion, much less out of the lion's dangerous den. A truly "good idea" must have not just a "good leader" but one Divinely Missioned, The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the true Messenger.

The eyes of the world have now turned towards this great new leader carrying forth a Divine program in the midst of the Wilderness of North America.

All who wish to guarantee a future for our people may do so by getting behind the program of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad on the back pages of Muhammad Speaks.

# Takes Up the Question: Are There 'White' Muslims?

By Abdul Basit Naeem (First of a Two-Part Series)

Are there any "white Muslims"? Before I attempt to answer this question, I would like to point out that, as a rule, Muslims cannot be classified in terms of race.

Yes, so it is: The people of Allah and His religion, Islam, do not go by "race" or ethnic origin. To the best of my knowledge (I trust the respected Messenger will immediately correct me if I am in error here), even the followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad are not to be called "black" Muslims and do not, if fact, identify or refer to each other as such.

Officially, the Messenger's followers are "Muslims" — like any other group of Muslims on this planet — or members of the Nation of Islam in America. The word "black" does not appear as a prefix

to "muslim" in any of the personal writings or teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Nor have I ever seen its use in official Muhammad's Mosques of Islam correspondence or other documents of the Muslim movement.

How the popular but misconceived appellation "Black Muslim" happened to "get stuck" is no inexplicable mystery: The anti-Islam U.S. press is known to have invented the usage, back in 1959 or 1960 — presumably as a means of distinguishing or separating the American Islamic community from the rest of the Muslim world.

The white writers and researchers still prefer it to any other appropriate description of the "Nation of Islam." They alone, therefore, must be held responsible for propagating and preserving the term.

I am, of course, aware that the U.S. Muslim leader did not at any time, vocally or in print, object to the white-imposed "label." However, this too can be explained easily: The Honorable Elijah Muhammad did not protest the "imposition" because, knowing the "na-

ture" of his (and Allah's) enemies, he probably realized it would be futile to challenge them and useless to make an issue of something the "devils" had deliberately designed to achieve certain purposes and objectives of their own.

Besides, why should he have resented being called "black" — or his followers being nick-named "Black Muslims"? Is there anything wrong with being black? If not, then why should a black person scorn of feeling ignorant at being called that?

Furthermore, teaching people who they are and what, Why and How of their "race" is a cardinal principle of the philosophy of Messenger Elijah Muhammad. This, however, merely comprises a new and unique ("unorthodox") method of "Islamic indoctrination" which, having countless times proven effective, must be maintained. There is no other way of convincing a (so-called) "Negro" that he is not a "Negro" (there is no such race).

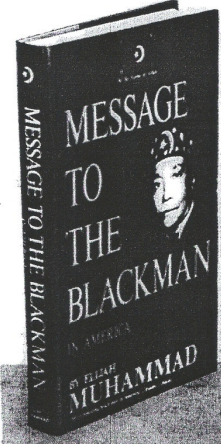
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# Muhammad: How to Eat to Live

"What Allah, in the Person of Fard Muhammad, Has Revealed to Me"  
By ELIJAH MUHAMMAD  
Messenger of Allah

In the past, our appetite was our God. We ate as many times a day that we could find an appetite to. We worshipped our appetite as though it was our God. This shortens our lives.

Some of us have never missed a day without eating, unless we were sick and the doctor stopped us until his drugs could aid in killing the germ that eating three or four meals a day had caused.

We think we cannot miss a meal, unless we are unable to buy the next meal. So, we wear out our stomach that could possibly live a thousand years. If cared for and protected from the enemies that will shorten and destroy our lives.

We can soon get accustomed to eating once a day and nothing between meals. After getting used to eating once a day, we can get used to eating once every two days. Our stomachs will not ask us for food—only at the time that we make a habit of putting food in them.

Surely one meal a day and eating the right kind of food that meal, will do away

with much sickness and add many years to our lives. Try it for yourself.

Do not eat everything you see the Christians eat. That is why they have so many hospitals and must produce so many doctors every year.

Slay away from eating the swine flesh, field peas, black-eyed peas, brown and yellow peas, collard greens, and cabbage sprouts.

Cauliflower is good for us. And, trying eating the cabbage that has a white head inside of its cluster of green leaves.

Stay away from any kind of nuts. Your stomach does not have enough digestive juices to digest nuts. They are food for animals, wild game, squirrels, etc.

Eat to live, and not to die, because how you eat does both—it keeps you here, and it takes you away. Do not fill up your stomach with sweets. Keep away from greasy foods.

Allah (God) has brought us this knowledge, in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad. Believe in Him, and obey and follow His teachings, and you will always be happy.



## Takes Up Question of 'White Muslims'

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removing the "white" veil of ignorance from the American black man's mind, of recalcitrating in him the desire to live, once again, in submission to his Creator's Will and in righteousness (freedom, justice and equality), and of warning him, should he persist in his ungodly (white, Christian-type) pur-

suits, of the incalculable dangers ahead.

At the same time, I fail to see where any of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's views or utterances make him a "racist," "bigot" or "hate-monger." When a father lovingly advises his children to forever hold each other in esteem and affection; help and protect one another, and stay away from stinging wasps, filthy swine and wild dogs, his words do

not make him guilty of "race" prejudice.

The day would come, I might further add, when the world at large would remember the U.S. Muslim leader with utmost regard and reverence—not in ridicule. From then on, the "Black Muslims" too would become just "Muslims"—an integral part of the universal Islamic brotherhood.

(To be concluded next week)

## Chinese Moslems End Visit To Sudan Moslem Centers

KHARTOUM—A Chinese Moslem delegation has concluded a visit to the Sudan at the invitation of the Sudanese government. The delegation arrived here May day and departed seven days.

HEADED by Chang Chien, the delegation was cordially received by Sheikh Abdel Magid Gessisa, grand kadi of Chief Judge of the Islamic Court; Hassan Awadalla, minister of education and Khalifa Abbas El Obeid, under secretary of the ministry of foreign affairs.

Dinner parties for the delegation were given by Dr. Kamil El Baghir, director of the Islamic University and Khogali Osman, director of the religious affairs department. The delegation visited centers of Islamic instruction, including Ombayman Islamic University and Al-Istitute. Chinese Ambassador Yu Pai-Wen accompanied the moslems on their tour here.

THE DELEGATES, who were enthusiastically greeted by Sudanese moslems and others, described the life of moslems in China.

## China Fetes Congo's Black Scientists

PEKING—The Ministry of Education of China and the National Committee of the scientific and technical association, gave a banquet here recently in honor of the visiting scientific delegation from the Congo (Brazzaville), led by Levy Makany, the Congo's Minister of National Education.

Among those present on the occasion were Ho Wei, Minister of Education, and Chen Poi-Yuan, Vice Chairman and Wang Shun-Tung, member of the secretariat, of the Scientific and Technical Association.

## Somali Hits Rhodesia With Sanctions

MOGADISHU — The Somali National Assembly has approved a draft law on sanctions against the Smith Colonial regime in Southern Rhodesia.

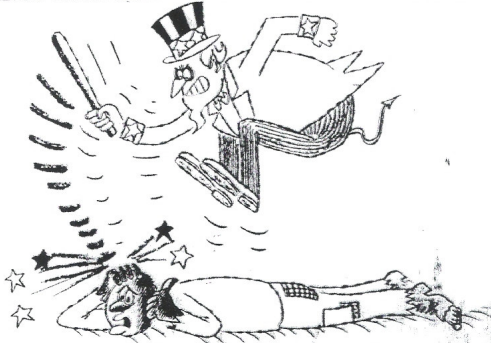
THE sanctions prohibit the export and import of any goods to and from Southern Rhodesia, deny entry to the Somali Republic of any

white minority settlers and their African stooges who had any part in the illegal declaration of "independence" by the Smith regime and ban all vessels and aircraft flying the Southern Rhodesian flag from using the ports and airports of Somalia.

The draft law provides for seizure and confiscation of

Rhodesian vessels or aircraft making unauthorized calls or overflights and for prohibited imported or exported goods.

THE draft law points out that this is the Somali Government's first step to demonstrate the Somali people's solidarity with the African people of Southern Rhodesia.



"FORGIVE HIM LORDIE, FOR HE KNOW NOT WHAT HE DO."