

Sources include (but are not limited to – these are simply the major sources found/used):

Bahaikipedia ([http://bahaikipedia.org/Main\\_Page](http://bahaikipedia.org/Main_Page))

Ocean (<http://www.bahai-education.org/ocean/>)

Bahá'í Library Online (<http://bahai-library.com/>)

Boise Baha'i Faith "A Brief History of the Bahá'í Faith" (<http://www.bci.org/boise/history.htm>)

UK Baha'i Heritage Documents (<http://users.whsmithnet.co.uk/ispalin/heritage/docs.htm> /  
<http://www.btinternet.com/~iain.s.palin/heritage/docs.htm>)

**Note 1:** in many instances, the wording used is that found in the source material. Though the odd source is referenced, to identify every reference would make this work of inordinate length, and its compilation unduly laborious for what is, after all, an activity intended only as a means of relaxation from the development of the Kitab-i-Aqdas Project. This compilation is thus built on the efforts of others, and as such cannot be regarded as an original work.

**Note 2:** It must be noted that I am not a historian, and have no training in this field. The value to the future of this compilation will be determined by those with such knowledge and skills; for myself, it simply appeases a level of curiosity.

**Note 3:** Only dates where the actual day, month and year are known have been entered. At a later time, a return will be made to compile the more nebulously stated dates (should time so allow). In the meantime, these other events can be found by visiting the sources used.

**Note 4:** here has been no attempt to include the dates of letters written. To do so would make my task onerous rather than enjoyable, interesting as such an exercise would be. It is left to others with greater patience and a better eye for detail to compile such a valuable listing. Nor have the individual dates of talks given by 'Abdu'l-Baha, as found in "The Promulgation of Universal Peace" or other of his Talks been included – this level of detail is for later, when detailing His travels though the western countries.

**Note 5:** It has been decided not to include dates that specifically relate to the various individuals and branches of Covenant-breakers unless those activities have a direct affect on the Bahá'í Faith. Dates of expulsion, dates of birth and death are in most cases the limit of dates in this chronology. Their (the individuals and the groups) internal difficulties and machinations can be followed up easily if needed/desired, and their progress (or rather, lack thereof), though instructive and educational, does not as such bear on the progress and advancement of the Cause of God. They are treated, thus, in the same way as other events etc. that lie outside the ever-evolving Cause of the Blessed Beauty (though a comparison of the forward movement of the Light of Bahá'u'lláh and the retrogression being experienced in the world at large, a task left for future qualified historians, will prove a most interesting and illuminating exercise).

## January

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1912: 'Alí-Muhammad Varqá, prominent Bahá'í, Hand of the Cause and trustee of Huqúqu'lláh is born

1913: Letter written by 'Abdu'l-Bahá published in "The Christian Commonwealth" (Selections from the Writings of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, pp.288-89)

1934: Queen Marie of Romania writes to Martha Root

1958: Passing of Lillian Stevens, a founder member of the first Torquay Spiritual Assembly in 1938. (UK)

1962: Amelia Collins, prominent Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause passes away in Haifa, Israel

1971: Death of Hand of the Cause of God, Agnes Alexander

1983: Martyrdom of Hidayat Siyavushi in Shiraz, by hanging. The third of five Bahá'ís sentenced to death on 23 September 1982.

1986: The Universal House of Justice publishes the compilation on "Women"

2000: Presentations of the Bahá'í World Center are televised as part of the new millennium celebrations and are viewed by over one-billion persons around the world.

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1968: Passing of Dorothy (Effie) Baker, one of the first two Australian Believers

1986: The Universal House of Justice announces in a letter to the Baha'is of the world the inception of the fourth epoch of the Formative Age

1986: On the closing day of the Counsellors' Conference, the Universal House of Justice announced certain features of the Six Year Plan and the methods by which the national goals were to be worked out in consultation between the Counsellors and National Spiritual Assemblies. (Source: The Universal House of Justice, Messages 1963 to 1986, p. 717)

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1914: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1968 to 1993) David Ruhe

1922: Master's Will and Testament officially read and the Guardianship inaugurated.

1951: Mr Jalal Nakhjavani from Persia is the first Baha'i to arrive in Tanzania, Dar es Salaam

1955: Shoghi Effendi accepts by cable the final estimate for marble for the Archives

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1913: Birth of Malietoa Tanumafili II

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1926: Death of Edward G. Browne in Canbridge. He is buried beside his wife at Elswick Cemetery, Newcastle-on-Tyne

1957: Birmingham Teaching Conference held (United Kingdom)

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1932: Birth of Catherine Huxtable, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Gulf Islands.

1993: The Universal House of Justice announces the appointment of the International Panel of Spanish Translations of Bahá'í Literature

1993: Long time well known Bahá'í Dizzy Gillespie passes

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1922: The Will of 'Abdu'l-Bahá is read to a gathering of Bahá'ís from many countries.

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1851: Hujjat, wounded in the right arm by a bullet 19 days before and in severe pain and fever, passes away while saying his prayers. (Nabíl's Narrative, p. 170)

1924: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 2003) Hushmand Fatheazam

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1914: Birth of John Ferraby, Hand of the Cause, and Custodian of the Bahá'í Faith

1951: Formation of the International Bahá'í Council by Shoghi Effendi

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1843: The army bombards Karbilá and on entry massacres a large portion of the population, even those taking refuge in the Shrines of Imám Husayn or 'Abbás. 22 persons found trampled to death in the home of Siyyid Kázim. (Nabíl's Narrative, p. 12) (see also "The Dawn Breakers", p .36)

1845: The Báb reaches Medina

1946: The first General Assembly of the United Nations convened in London

1954: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Dorothy Baker

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1983: The Universal House of Justice sends a translation of a prayer of 'Abdu'l-Bahá for martyred Bahá'ís and their relatives to the Baha'i world

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1853: Bahá'u'lláh and His family begin their journey to Baghdad following His exile from Tehran.

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1943: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (2000 to -) Kiser Barnes

1983: The Universal House of Justice publishes the compilation on "The Importance of Deepening Our Knowledge and Understanding of the Faith"

14

1870: May Ellis Bolles, later known as May Maxwell, is born in Englewood, New Jersey.

1975: The House of 'Abdu'lláh Páshá in 'Akká is purchased.

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1846: Biela's comet was observed to have broken into two

1961: Dedication of the House of Worship in Kampala, Uganda.

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1845: An edict was issued in Baghdad condemning the Báb as an unbeliever.

1922: The Greatest Holy Leaf cables news of the Guardianship to the Bahá'ís of the world.

1979: Shah Muhammed Reza Pahlavi leaves Iran, never to return

2001: Message from Universal House of Justice announcing inception of the fifth epoch of the Formative Age

2001: Dedication of the seat of the International Teaching Center

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1908: Birth of Ruth Katharine Meyer, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh, named for pioneering to Margarita Island.

1961: The three scholars appointed by a Muslim court in the case against the Local Spiritual Assembly of Ankara lodge documents and authenticated proofs with the court that the Faith is an independent religion

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2001: The announcement is made that 9 Baha'is have been placed under arrest in Egypt

1963: First Bahá'í marriage in Taiwan between Miss Yeh Chan-ching and Mr Yang Su-thou

1980: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Divorce"

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1915: Mirza Fadlu'llah Khan Banan from Shiraz arrives in Haifa with gifts from the Baha'is of Shiraz for 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1922: Shoghi Effendi writes a letter to the Persian believers, stating his intention to soon form the Universal House of Justice.

1928: Martha Root again meets Queen Marie of Romania in the Royal Palace in Belgrade

2000: Amatu'l-Baha Rúhiyyih Khánum passes away aged 89.

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1888: Aqa Mirza Aqa and his son Aqa Siyyid Aqa attain the presence of Bahá'u'lláh for the first time

1922: Birth of Roy Fernie, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Gilbert and Ellis Islands.

1950: World Religion Day established by the National Spiritual Assembly of America

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1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá departs London for Paris

1913: 'Abdu'l-Baha begins his second second visit to Paris, which lasts till 30 March.

1914: Passing of Mirza Abu'l-Fadl in Cairo

1949: Shoghi Effendi meets in person with Mr Ben Gurion, Prime Minister of the Provisional Government of Israel, in the private home of the Prime Minister on Mt Carmel.

22

1844: Mullá Husayn-i-Bushrú'í returns to Karbilá. (Nabil's Narrative, p. 19) (The Dawn Breakers, p. 47)

1944: The last corrections to Shoghi Effendi's "Prospect and Retrospect" made and preparations commenced to send it onward to Horace (Holley?).

23

1872: Murder of Siyyid Muhammad, Aqá Ján Big and another companion Covenant-breaker in 'Akká

1958: to January 28; Intercontinental Conference, Kampala, Uganda

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1939: The Egyptian Ministry of the Interior writes to the Ministry of Justice enclosing a copy of the Bahá'í Laws relating to personal status

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1922: Shoghi Effendi writes his first letter to the Bahá'ís of Japan

1958: Cornerstone of African Temple in Kampala laid

1987: Death of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1987) Charles Wolcott.

2000: Death of Adib Taherzadeh, prominent Bahá'í and Universal House of Justice member

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1979: Foundation Stone Ceremony, site of future House of Worship, Western Samoa, with His Highness Malietoa Tanumafili II.

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1913: An article on the Faith written by Professor Cheyne appears in "The Christian Commonwealth"

1919: Shoghi Effendi advises Dr Baghadi in the United States that "nearly a hundred Tablets had been revealed for the Bahá'ís in America; some had been sent and others would follow" (H.M. Balyuzi, "Abdu'l-Bahá – The Centre of the Covenant")

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1922: Covenant-breakers forcibly seize the keys to the Shrine of Bahá'u'lláh

1926: Martha Root's first interview with Queen Marie of Romania, in Controceni Palace, Bucharest

31

1899: Arrival of the Báb's remains in the Holy Land.

1963: Roger Baldwin, Chairman of the International League for the Rights of Man, "appearing before the U.N. sub-commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities" that in case of the Moroccan Government case against the Local Spiritual Assembly of Ankara, that all charges stem from the one charge "of injuring the Islamic faith." (Ministry of Custodians, p. 415)

1983: The Universal House of Justice takes up its permanent seat.

## February

1

1849: The beseiged at the fort of Shaykh Tabarsí finish digging a well to obtain their needs for water

1901: Fifth of 12 letters written by 'Abdu'l-Baha to Edward G. Browne

1959: Completion of the Bahá'í Home for the Aged in Wilmette, Illinois.

1979: Ayatollah Khomeini returns to Iran from exile in France

1983: The Universal House of Justice announces that it had occupied its newly constructed seat on Mt Carmel (See also January 31)

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1849: At dawn, Mullá Ḥusayn leads his last sortie at the Shrine of Shaykh Tabarsí and is mortally wounded.

1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals His "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of the Northeastern States" of the United States: Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York.

2007: A golden tile from the Shrine of the Báb is offered on permanent loan to the Dutch Roof Tile Museum in Alem (<http://www.bahaiworldnews.org/story/513>).

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1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals His "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of the Southeastern States" of the United States: Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia,

Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas

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1936: Martha Root meets with Queen Marie of Romania in Controceni Palace, Bucharest

1951: Mrs. Claire Gung (Auntie Claire) of Germany arrives in Tanzania. Even though the second person to arrive in Tanzania, as she commenced her journey from the United Kingdom before Mr Nakhjavani she was awarded the title of Knight of Baha'u'llah

1974: Death of Charles Mason Remey

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1986: The Universal House of Justice publishes the compilation on “The Epochs of the Formative Age”

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1918: A brief mention of the Baha'i Faith made by Edward G. Browne in a paper read by him before the British Academy

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1844: Birth of Shaykh Kazim-i-Samandar, designated by the Guardian of the Bahá'í Faith Shoghi Effendi as 'Apostle of Bahá'u'lláh'

1862: Birth of Edward Granville Browne in Uley, Gloucestershire.

1875: Birth of Haji Mirza Habibu'llah in Shiraz

1917: A reply was received in Japan from 'Abdu'l-Bahá addressed to and in reply to, letters sent by Mr. Kikutaro Fukuta. This was the first Tablet received addressed to a Japanese resident in Japan.

1974: Announcement of the design for the Permanent Seat of the Universal House of Justice.

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1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals His “Tablet to the Bahá'ís of the Central States” of the United States: Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas

1979: Mansur Farhang of Sacramento State University appears on nationally syndicated public television networks in the United States with false accusations against the Bahá'í community in Iran in an attempt to justify the oppressive measures instigated against that community

1989: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, “Eliminating Racism”, to the forty-fifth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1913: Date on the last of the 12 letters sent to Edward Granville Browne by 'Abdu'l-Baha

1982: Imprisonment of Mr Yadu'llah Sabiriyani in Even Prison (Iran). He was later executed by firing squad, exact date unknown.

1989: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, “Right to Development”, to the forty-fifth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

1990: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, “Right to Development”, to the forty-sixth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1941: Passing of Margaret Stevenson in New Zealand to the Abha Kingdom

2000: President Clinton (United States of America) said he was deeply troubled that the death sentences had been reaffirmed for Sirus Zabihi-Moghaddam and Hadayet Kashefi-Najafabadi and the same sentence had been imposed on Manucher Khulusi.

12

1869: Fu'ad Pasha dies in Nice, France, of a heart condition

1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá addresses the Paris Esperanto group

1923: Horace Holley writes the “Introduction” to the compilation “*Bahá'í Scriptures*”

1953: to 18 Feb; Ten Year World Crusade launched at the first Intercontinental Teaching Conference in Kampala, Uganda.

1970: (United Nations) The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations unanimously recommends that the Bahá'í International Community's application for consultative status be approved.

1980: Hand of the Cause of God and well celebrated author Hasan Balyuzi dies.

1993: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, "Human Rights and Extreme Poverty", to the forty-ninth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá delivers an address to the Paris Theosophical Society at the Theosophical Headquarters, 59 Avenue de la Bourdonnois

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1910: Birth of Ola Pawlowska, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to St. Pierre and Miquelon.

1926: Dust from the Tomb of Bahá'u'lláh brought back by pilgrims (including Margaret Stevenson) from the Holy land, was placed in a ceremony into the soil of New Zealand at the Stevenson's home

1929: Work begins on three additional chambers of the Shrine of the Báb.

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1891: Edward G. Browne gives a lecture about the Baha'i Faith at the South Place Institute in London

1896: Birth of distinguished Bahá'í Leroy Ioas, Hand of the Cause and Secretary General of the International Bahá'í Council.

1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals His "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of the Western States" in the United States: New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, California, Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington

1989: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, "Creating a Universal Culture of Human Rights", to the forty-fifth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1899: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God Hermann Grossman

1923: Declaration of the first native Hawaiian Bahá'í (Mae Tilton Fantom) on Maui.

1934: Martha Root meets with Queen Marie of Romania in Controceni Palace

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1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá answers questions asked by theologians of Paris at Pasteur Monnier's Theological Seminary

1932: The "first local Bahá'í Assembly, that of Chicago, adopted papers of incorporation which, together with those adopted by that of New York City on 31 March of that year, were to become a pattern for such instruments throughout the world." (Century of Light, p. 57)

1941: Death of John Henry Hyde-Dunn, appointed posthumously as a Hand of the Cause of God by Shoghi Effendi

1988: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, "Eliminating Religious Intolerance", to the forty-fourth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1963: Tribute to the Bahá'í Faith in the United States Senate by Senator Kenneth B. Keating

1967: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Philippines

1993: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, "Eliminating Religious Intolerance", to the forty-ninth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

19

1849: (and 20 Feb) The famous Seven Martyrs of Tíhrán are martyred.

1957: Passing of Dr John George Mitchell, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh for Malta, at the age of 50

1968: His Highness Malietoa Tanumafili II, of Western Samoa, embraces the Faith, the first ruling Monarch to do so.

1988: Statement by the Bahá'í International Community, "Eliminating Torture", to the forty-fourth session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

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1895: Death of Mirza Muhammad-Hasan, known as Mirzay-i-Shirazi

1990: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God, Jalal Khazeh

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1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals His “Tablet to the Bahá'ís of Canada and Greenland” : Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon, Mackenzie, Keewatin, Ungava, Franklin Islands—and Greenland

1939: The Grand Mufti of Egypt receives correspondence from the Ministry of Justice which included the copy of the Bahá'í Laws on personal status sent to it by the Ministry of the Interior

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1847: Birth of Disciple of 'Abdu'l-Bahá and Hand of the Cause Thornton Chase

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1891: Edward G. Browne gives a lecture to Pembroke College Literary Society in England, at which the Faith was discussed at length

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1929: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1993 to 2005) Douglas Martin

1983: Inauguration of the Bahá'í Vocational Institute for Rural Women at Indore, India

1990: to 25 Feb; The Soviet Union's first national Bahá'í conference in six decades was held in Moscow.

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1985: Martyrdom by execution of Mr Ruhullah Bahramshahi in Yazd

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1922: Shoghi Effendi writes to Professor Auguste Forel, enclosing an English translation of 'Abdu'l-Bahá's letter to Dr Forel.

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1952: Second contingent of seven new Hands of the Cause announced by Shoghi Effendi - Shu'a'u'llah 'Ala'i, Musa Banani, Clara Dunn, Dhikru'llah Khadem, Adelbert Muhlschlegel, Siegfried Schopflocher, Corinne True

## March

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1873: Baha'u'llah reveals the Lawh-i-Ru'ya in the house of 'Udi Khammar

1897: Shoghi Effendi, the great-grandson of Bahá'u'lláh, is born of 'Abdu'l-Bahá's eldest daughter in the House of Abdu'lláh Pasha.

1940: Passing of Mrs May Maxwell in Buenos Aires. The Guardian accords her the station of a martyr.

1973: Formation of the first Local Spiritual Assembly in Fredericton, Canada. It is the last provincial capital in Canada to reach this milestone.

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1929: League of Nations Council resolution upholds the Bahá'í Community's claim to Bahá'u'lláh's house in Baghdád.

1935: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1982 to 2008) Glenford Mitchell

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1910: Passing of Ḥajjī Mullá `Alí-Akbar Shahrírádí (known as Ḥajjī Ákhúnd), Hand of the Cause of God and Apostle of Bahá'u'lláh

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1855: Birth of John Henry Hyde-Dunn, appointed posthumously as a Hand of the Cause of God by Shoghi Effendi

1984: Execution in Tabriz by Iranian authorities of Mr Jalal Payravi (imprisoned 22 October 1981), Mr Maqṣud 'Alizadíh (imprisoned 27 January 1982)

1985: Martyrdom by execution of Mr Nusratu'llah Subhani in Tíhran

1993: The Universal House of Justice announces to the Bahá'í world that the English translation of the Kitáb-i-Aqdas, "*copiously annotated*", will be released at Návruz.

2007: Start of Bahaikipedia - The Bahá'í encyclopedia

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1948: Shoghi Effendi decides to commence work on the Shrine of the Báb superstructure.

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1873: Marriage of `Abdu'l-Bahá and Munírih Khánúm.

1917: Tablets of the Divine Plan - "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of the United States and Canada" revealed by `Abdu'l-Bahá

1952: Shoghi Effendi enlarges the first International Bahá'í Council, and names its eight members

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1866: Baha'u'llah, the members of His own family and one servant change residence from the house of Amru'llah to the house of Rida Big

1930: Ahmad Sohrab files a petition for naturalisation as an American citizen in the United States District Court, New York.

1993: A strong resolution was passed at the 49th Session of the Commission on Human Rights by a margin of 22 votes to 11, with 14 abstentions, noting "that there was no appreciable progress in the Islamic Republic of Iran towards improved compliance with human rights standards in conformity with international instruments."

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1939: Based on the copy of the Bahá'í laws on personal status received by him, the Grand Mufti of Egypt issues his judgement that a Bahá'í is not a Muslim, and determines that Baha'ís cannot be buried in a Muslim cemetery.

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1923: Shoghi Effendi calls for the establishment of Local and National Bahá'í Funds.

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1942: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Siyyid Mustafa Rumi

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1914: Birth of Richard Nolen, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to Azores.

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1938: Passing of Mrs Thornburgh-Cropper, one of the first Baha'ís in the west, possibly the first Baha'í resident in England.

1973: Mazra'ih is purchased.

1984: Execution in Tíhran by Iranian authorities of Mr 'Alí-Muhammad Zamani and Mr Jahangir Hidayati

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1906: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1988) Borrah Kavelin

1981: Execution by Government firing squad of Mihdi Anviri and Hidayatu'llah Dihqani in Shiraz



17

1879: Martyrdom of Haji Siyyid Muhammad-Hasan (the King of the Martyrs) and Jahi Siyyid Hummad-Husayn (the Beloved of the Martyrs).

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1992: Word of the secret execution of Mr. Bahman Samandari in Irán is made known, the first execution since 1988.

19

1856: Bahá'u'lláh returns to Baghdad after His period of seclusion in the Sulaymaniyyih mountains of Kurdistan.

1856: Louis Bourgeois, architect and designer of the Baha'i House of Worship in Wilmette, Illinois, is born in Saint-Célestin-de-Nicolet, Quebec.

1954: Shoghi Effendi appoints Paul E. Haney a Hand of the Cause of God

1965: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Korea

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1848: Mullá Ḥusayn visits the Báb at the fortress of Máh-Kú

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1908: The "House of Spirituality" of Chicago writes to the American Friends regarding the collection together of the Tablets of Abdu'l-Baha.

1909: The mortal remains of the Báb are laid to rest in the Shrine of the Báb after 59 years in hiding.

1909: Opening of the first American Bahá'í Convention in Chicago at the home of Corinne True.

1909: First printing of Volume 1 of "Tablets of 'Abdu'l-Baha"

1910: First issue of Star of the West magazine (first named simply "Bahá'í News").

1913: Abdu'l-Baha gives a talk on Naw Rúz at 15 rue Greuze, Paris

1958: to March 24; Intercontinental Conference, Sydney, Australia

1990: The Bahá'ís in Cluj, Romania, form the first Local Spiritual Assembly in Eastern Europe since World War II.

1993: The Kitáb-i-Aqdas is released in English with commentary.

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1958: Cornerstone of the Australian House of Worship in Sydney laid.

24

1881: Mirza Yahya is freed by the British administration in Cyprus

1893: Date on the fourth of 12 letters sent to Edward G. Browne by 'Abdu'l-Baha

1937: Marriage of Shoghi Effendi and Mary Maxwell (Ruhiyyih Khanum)

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1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá boards the S.S. Cedric in Alexandria, heading for the United States

1957: Death of Hand of the Cause of God George Townshend

1992: Death of Hand of the Cause and prominent American Bahá'í William Sears

1998: Death of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1993) Hugh Chance

26

1863: Bahá'u'lláh reveals the Tablet of the Holy Mariner

1863: The Governor General of Baghdád invites Bahá'u'lláh to Istanbul and provided with a sum of money for the journey. Bahá'u'lláh accepts, but gives all the money to the poor.

1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan - "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of of the Northeastern States" (Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York) revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1927: Martyrdom of Aminu'l-'Ulama' in his home in Ardibil, Persia, stabbed by an assassin.

1952: Appointment of Ruhiyyih Khanum to the rank of Hand of the Cause

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1885: Birth of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Charles Dunning

1911: "The Christian Commonwealth" publishes another discourse by 'Abdu'l-Bahá, given at the City Temple, London

1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan - "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of of the Southeastern States" (Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas) revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1957: Appointment by Shoghi Effendi of Agnes Alexander as Hand of the Cause

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1911: Birth of Hand of the Cause and prominent American Bahá'í William Sears.

1941: "The Promised Day is Come" signed by Shoghi Effendi

29

1829: Birth of Nabil-i-Akbar in the village Naw-Firist, near Birjand in the district of Qa'in

1847: A tent is pitched for the Báb on the slopes of a hill outside of Kulayn where He stayed with His escort for 20 days

1889: Edward G. Browne gives a presentation on the Faith before the Essay Society in Newcastle-upon-Tyne

1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan - "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of of the Central States" (Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas) revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1952: Death of Hand of the Cause William Sutherland Maxwell

2006: Death of Ruth Katharine Meyer, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh, named for pioneering to Margarita Island.

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1937: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1988 to -) Hooper Dunbar

31

1932: Adoption of papers of incorporation by the Bahá'í Assembly of New York City which, together with those adopted by the Chicago Baha'i Assembly on 17 February 1932, became a "pattern for such instruments throughout the world." (Century of Light, p. 57)

1963: King Hassan H of Morocco, in a television interview before a nation-wide audience in the United States, declared that the Bahá'í Faith was not a religion. It was, he said, "against good order and also morals."

1966: Eduardo Duarte Vieira died in prison in Portuguese Guinea (now Guinea-Bissau) after months of harassment and beatings because of his faith. He was designated the first African martyr.

1980: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "The Importance of Prayer, Meditation and the Devotional Attitude"

## April

1

1847: A letter and gifts from Bahá'u'lláh are received by the Báb, delivered to His Hands by Mulla Muhammad-Mihdiy-i-Kandi.

1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan - "Tablet to the Bahá'ís of of the Western States" (New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, California, Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington) revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1977: Reginald King, a Covenant Breaker who had declared himself the Second Regent, dies.

1979: Declaration of the Islamic Republic of Iran following a public referendum

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2004: Death of Ola Pawlowska, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to St. Pierre and Miquelon.

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1891: Date of the second letter addressed by 'Abdu'l-Baha to Edward G. Browne  
1961: Death of Corinne True, Hand of the Cause of God

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1913: 'Abdu'l-Baha visits Esslingen, Germany  
1923: Birth of Rahmatu'lláh Muhájir, Hand of the Cause of God and Knight of Bahá'u'lláh  
2006: Egyptian administrative court recognizes the independence of the Bahá'í Faith

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1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan - Tablet to the Bahá'ís of Canada (Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon, Mackenzie, Keewatin, Ungava, Franklin Islands) and Greenland revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

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1906: Ethel Rosenberg writes to 'Abdu'l-Baha with questions about the Tablet of Wisdom.  
1917: United States enters World War I.  
1954: The Guardian directs the Hands of the Cause of God to appoint Auxiliary Boards in each continent of the globe to act as their deputies and advisers.

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1887: Horace Holley, prominent Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause is born in Torrington, Connecticut.  
1966: Passing of Ali-Kuli Khan (Nabilu'd-Dawlih) in Washington, D.C.

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1853: Bahá'u'lláh and His family complete the trip from Tehran to Baghdad following His exile  
1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan – Tablet to the Baha'is of the United States and Canada revealed by 'Abdu'l-Baha  
1883: Birth of Elizabeth Hopper, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Madeira Islands  
1901: Letter addressed by 'Abdu'l-Baha to Edward G. Browne, the sixth of a total of 12

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1848: The Báb is removed from the fortress of Máh-Kú by orders of Hájí Mírzá Áqásí  
1899: Upheaval at Najafabad.  
1922: Work commences on the new Western Pilgrim House.  
1963: Conclave of the Hands of the Cause of God begins.

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1848: The Báb is transferred to the fortress of Chihriq by orders of Hájí Mírzá Áqásí  
1854: Bahá'u'lláh retreats to the Sulaymaniyah mountains within Kurdistan  
1920: Clara and Hyde Dunn arrive in Sydney, Australia.  
1962: Arrest of the first five of 14 Baha'is by the Moroccan authorities  
1993: Death of (John) Roger White, poet, historian, novelist, editor, visual artist, dancer

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1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá arrives in New York City for his visit to North America.  
1916: Tablets of the Divine Plan – Tablet to the Baha'is of the United States and Canada revealed by 'Abdu'l-Baha  
1958: Keith and Edith Danielsen-Craig arrive in Taiwan and settle in Taipei. Second couple to pioneer to Taiwan

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1954: Shoghi Effendi accepts the bid made by the firm of Enrico Pandolfini, of Pietrasanta for the supply of the obelisk that marks the place the first Mashriqu'l-Adhkar of the Holy Land is to be built. Unable to be built at the time, though all the materials were delivered, the announcement of the successful conclusion of the project was made by the Universal House of Justice on 19 December 1971.  
1982: The Universal House of Justice announces the successful achievement of the objective to issue “a

compilation of letters to” the Greatest Holy Leaf “and statements about her by Bahá'u'lláh, 'Abdu'l-Bahá, and the beloved Guardian, and her own letters” to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her passing. (The Bahá'í World, Vol. XVII)

1982: Mr Ihsanu'llah Khayyami of Urumiyih is martyred in Iran, after a few months of imprisonment and intense but unsuccessful pressure to recant his Faith

1983: Mrs Tuba Za'irpur, Yadu'llah Mahmudnizhad and Rahmatu'llah Vafa'i are martyred by being hung, in Shiraz. Their bodies are buried in the Baha'i cemetery without knowledge or presence of relatives. Their executions were not announced

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1887: Bahá'u'lláh uses the term 'Hand of the Cause' for the first time to refer to an individual with certain responsibilities, in a Tablet revealed in honour of Ibn-i-Asdaq.

1919: Passing of Phoebe Hearst, aged 76.

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1876: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God Keith Ransom-Kehler

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1890: to 20 April; Edward Granville Browne of Cambridge University, interviews Bahá'u'lláh four times and visits with 'Abdu'l-Bahá at Bahjí.

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1896: Nasirid Din Shah is assassinated by an originator of the constitutional movement in Iran and Bahá'ís are blamed.

1915: to 25 April; first Bahá'í International Congress, held in San Francisco.

1916: Also April 20 and April 22. Tablets of the Divine Plan – Tablet to the Baha'is of the United States and Canada revealed by 'Abdu'l-Baha

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1958: Death of Ahmad Sohrab

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1903: 'Abdu'l Baha writes to the “House of Spirituality” of Chicago giving permission for it to collect and preserve the Tablets sent to Believers in America.

1937: First Seven-Year Plan launched.

1946: Second Seven-Year Plan launched.

1947: Formation of the first Local Spiritual Assembly in Amsterdam in the Netherlands

1956: Formation of the first Local Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Tainan, Taiwan

1956: Formation of the first Local Spiritual Assembly of Guam

1957: Election of the second Local Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Tainan, Taiwan

1957: Election of the first Local Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Canberra, the last capital city in Australia to form such.

1961: to May 2; Election of 21 National Spiritual Assemblies throughout Latin America – Argentina, Dominican Republic, Mexico Bolivia, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Brazil, El Salvador, Panama, Chile, Guatemala, Paraguay, Colombia, Haiti, Peru, Costa Rica, Honduras, Uruguay, Cuba, Jamaica, Venezuela

1963: to April 23. The First International Convention is held in Akka / Haifa, Israel, for the election of the first Universal House of Justice

1963: The first Universal House of Justice is elected by representatives of 56 National Spiritual Assemblies gathered in Haifa, in synchronization with the end of the Ten Year Crusade. Election was held at the home of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, 7 Haparsim Street, Haifa. Members elected were : Charles Wolcott, Ian C. Semple, Hugh E. Chance, 'Ali Nakhjavani, Lutfu'llah Hakim, Amoz E. Gibson, H. Borrah Kavelin, David Hofman, Hushmand Fatheazam.

1964: The Universal House of Justice launches a Nine Year Plan

1968: Election of Amoz Gibson, 'Ali Nakhjavani, Hushmand Fatheazam, Ian Semple, Charles Wolcott, David Hofman, H. Borrah Kavelin, Hugh Chance and David Ruhe to the Universal House of Justice

1973: The Universal House of Justice launches a FiveYear Plan.

1979: The Universal House of Justice launches a Seven Year Plan.  
1986: The Universal House of Justice launches a Six Year Plan.  
1990: Two Knights of Bahá'u'lláh settle on the island of Sakhalin, the last remaining territory named by Shoghi Effendi in his Ten Year Crusade.  
1992: The Holy Year begins, in commemoration of the centenary of the passing of Bahá'u'lláh.  
1993: The Universal House of Justice launches a Three Year Plan.  
1996: The Universal House of Justice launches a Four Year Plan.  
1997: The National Spiritual Assembly of Rwanda is reformed  
1999: National Spiritual Assemblies formed in Latvia, Lithuania and Macedonia  
2001: Within the Ridván Message for BE 158 (2001), the Universal House of Justice announces the launch of the Five Year Plan

22

1863: Bahá'u'lláh declares himself to be He whom God shall make manifest in the Garden of Ridván in Baghdad on the eve of his exile to Constantinople, (Istanbul).

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1889: Baha'u'llah reveals a Tablet in honour of Ibn-i-Abhar, which makes it clear that he had already been designated a Hand of the Cause.  
1919: to 1 May; first Convention of the Covenant held in New York City. The 14 Tablets of the Divine Plan are unveiled.  
1958: Election of the first National Spiritual Assembly of France  
1964: Election of the first National Spiritual Assembly of the Hawaiian Islands  
1973: to 2 May - Third International Convention held in the Holy Land  
1982: Imprisonment of Mr 'Abbas Aydil-Khaniv in Zanjan. In April 1985 he was transferred to Tihran and was executed August 1, 1985.

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1909: Sultan Abdu'l-Hamid II is deposed.  
1920: 'Abdu'l-Bahá is knighted by the British Empire in recognition of his humanitarian work during World War I. The ceremony took place in the garden of the Military Governor of Haifa.  
1920: The design for the Mashriqu'l-Adhkar at Wilmette, Illinois, was finally chosen by the forty-nine delegates present at the Twelfth Annual Convention of Bahá'í Temple Unity, being held at the Hotel McAlpin, New York.

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1938: Ascension of Munírih Khánum, wife of 'Abdu'l-Bahá.  
1950: Passing of Mrs Mary Basil-Hall (Parvine), daughter of Lady Blomfield  
1963: to May 2. Holding of the World Congress in the Royal Albert Hall, London  
1972: to May 2 - Holding of eight oceanic and continental conferences in La Paz, Bolivia; Rose Hill, Mauritius; Monrovia, Liberia; Djakarta, Indonesia; Suva, Fiji; Kingston, Jamaica; Sapporo, Japan; Reykjavik, Iceland (The Universal House of Justice, Messages 1963 to 1986, p. xlv)  
1972: to May 2 - International Teaching Conference held in Panama City. The Mother Temple of Latin America in Panama was dedicated during this Conference on April 29.

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1905: Birth of Hand of the Cause 'Alí-Akbar Furútan  
1912: Mírzá Yahyá dies and is buried as a Muslim  
1921: Birth of Adib Taherzadeh, prominent Bahá'í and Universal House of Justice member (1988 to 2000)  
1953: Shoghi Effendi places a small silver box "containing a fragment of plaster from the ceiling of the Báb's prison cell in the Castle of Mah-Ku, beneath one of the gilded tiles in the first row" of the dome of the Shrine of the Bab. (Ugo Giachery, Shoghi Effendi - Recollections)  
1953: to May 6 - The All-America Intercontinental Teaching Conference is held in Chicago, Illinois, United States of America.  
1972: Dedication of the Mother Temple of Latin America in Panama  
1981: Martyrdom by firing squad of Yadu'llah Vahdat, Ihsanu'llah Mihdizadieh, Sattar Khushkhu, by order of

the Islamic Revolutionary Court, Shiraz, and with approval of the High Court of Justice, Tihran.  
1982: Mr 'Azizu'llah Gulshani of Mashhad is martyred in Iran after being imprisoned for many months

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1863: Bahá'u'lláh's family joins Him in the Garden of Ridván (the Ninth Day of Ridván)

1941: Date on "the first letter received by the British National Spiritual Assembly in which the secretarial part was written by, and signed, "R. Rabbani" (Amatu'l-Baha Ruhyyih Khanum)" (The Unfolding Destiny of the British Isles Community, p. 142)

1949: The Bill to incorporate the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'is of Canada given Royal assent

1963: Presentation of the members of the first Universal House of Justice

1963: Reading of the first message of the Universal House of Justice at the World Congress in London, England.

## May

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1869: Nabil meets Bahá'u'lláh.

1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá lays the foundation stone for the first Bahá'í House of Worship in the West at Wilmette, Illinois.

1953: to 6 May; Dedication of the House of Worship in Wilmette, Illinois.

1954: Cynthia Olsen arrives in Guam. She is later named a Night of Baha'u'llah by Shogi Effendi

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1863: Bahá'u'lláh leaves the Garden of Ridvan at noon on the first leg of His journey to Constantinople

1967: Death of Elizabeth Hopper, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Madeira Islands.

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1815: Birth of Mirza Muhammad-Hasan, known as Mirzay-i-Shirazi

1964: Death of Richard Nolen, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to Azores.

1965: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Tanzania

1983: Imprisonment in Evin Prison (Iran) of Mr Kamran Lutfi and Mr Ramin Rahimiyan. Both subsequently executed by firing squad, exact date unknown.

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1849: Battle of fort Tabarsí ends after a negotiated surrender in which the victors promise to let the Bábís go. Immediately afterward, the victors break their oath and kill many of the defenders.

1862: The Persian ambassador requests that the Ottomans move the Bábís farther from Persia.

1925: Verdict of the Islamic Court in Egypt pronouncing the Faith to be an independent religion.

1934: Tax exemption for Bahá'í properties on Mt. Carmel announced.

2007: The first IPUE (<something> planning and utilization of energy) session for Malaysia was held. The only other country to be selected to be the pioneer country was Chile.

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1849: Quddús, escorted by Prince Mihdí Qulí Mírzá, arrives in Bárfurúsh

2007: Malietoa Tanumafili II passes away

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1869: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God, Clara Dunn

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1896: Birth of prominent Hand of the Cause of God and International Bahá'í Council member, Ugo Giachery

1913: Birth of prominent Australian Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause Collis Featherstone

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1874: Charles Mason Remey is born

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1849: Quddús, prominent disciple of the Báb, and the eighteenth and final Letter of the Living is tortured and executed.

1850: The first of the believers in Zanján is martyred

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1874: Birth of Hand of the Cause and Disciple of 'Abdu'l-Bahá John Esslemont

1891: Execution of the Seven Martyrs of Yazd.

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1897: Louisa A. Moore becomes a Bahá'í, and is later designated by the Guardian as "the mother teacher of the West". She marries Edward Getsinger and becomes Lua Getsinger.

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1844: The Báb makes His declaration in Shiráz to Mullá Husayn 2 hours, 11 minutes after sunset, and writes the first chapter of the Qayyúmu'l-Asmá' (Commentary on the Súrih of Joseph)

2001: Opening of the Terraces on Mt Carmel

23

1844: Birth of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1905: First Nineteen Day Feast in the West held in New York City, consisting of devotional and social parts.

1998: Four Bahá'í Regional Councils elected for the first time in the United States in regions corresponding to the regions of the Tablets of the Divine Plan.

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1892: Birth of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Mildred Clark

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1928: passing of Haji Abdu'l-Hasan Amin, Trustee of Huququ'lláh

1967: Death of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Mildred Clark

1970: The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations approves the recommendation by the Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations of February 12 1970, that the Baha'i International Community be granted consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council

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1982: Mr Suleiman A. Suleimani receives award from His Excellency Lee Teng-Hui, Governor of Taiwan, for his "contribution to the religious welfare of the people of Taiwan."

1992: The Roll of Honor of the Knights of Bahá'u'lláh is placed in a chamber at the door of the inner sanctuary of the Shrine of Bahá'u'lláh.

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1892: Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh 8 hours after sunset in Bahjí, 'Akká.

29 May 1892 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh at 8 hours after sunset (approximately. 3AM) in

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1876: Sultan 'Abdu'l-Aziz is deposed and is either assassinated or commits suicide.

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1957: The Supreme Court in Israel finds in their judgement against the Covenant-Breakers, resulting in their removal from the properties in Bahji.

## June

2

1929: Birth of (John) Roger White, poet, historian, novelist, editor, visual artist, dancer

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1973: Establishment of the International Teaching Centre by the Universal House of Justice.

1993: Death of Gertrude Blum, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Solomon Islands.

6

1874: Louis Gregory is born in Charleston, South Carolina.

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1873: Amelia Collins, prominent Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause is born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

1892: Unsealing and reading of Bahá'u'lláh's Kitáb-i-'Ahd at Bahjí.

1903: 'Abdu'l-Bahá reveals Tablet calling for the erection of a Temple in America.

1963: Declaration by the Hands of the Cause residing in the Holy Land, “releasing all their functions, rights and powers conferred upon them by the Declaration of the Hands, November 25, 1957, to the Universal House of Justice.” (Ministry of the Custodians, p. 432)

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1965: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Kenya

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1958: The central body of the Hands of the Cause of God released a definitive statement explaining that second Guardian could not be named because Shoghi Effendi had not left a will nor designated a successor

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1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá embarks at Marseilles on the steamer S. S. Himalaya, arriving at Port Said in Egypt four days later.

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1876: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God George Townshend.

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1892: 'Abdu'l-Bahá sends His first message to the Bahá'í world calling for steadfastness.

1897: Birth of Adelbert Mühlshlegel, Hand of the Cause of God and prominent German Bahá'í

1983: Execution by hanging in Shiraz of Dr Bahram Afnan, Mr Bahram Yalda'i, Mr Jamshid Siyavushi, Mr 'Inayatu'llah Ishraqi, Mr Kurush Hoqbin, Mr 'Abdu'l-Husayn Azadi

17

1913: 'Abdu'l-Baha visits Egypt and stays till 2 December.

1975: Announcement of beginning of excavation for the Seat of the Universal House of Justice.

18

1983: Ten Bahá'í women are hanged in Shiraz, Iran after being arrested for teaching religious children's classes to Bahá'í youth. They are : Mrs Nusrat Yalda'i (mother of Bahram, hanged 16 June), Mrs 'Izzat Janami Ishraqi (wife of 'Inayatu'llah, hanged 16 June), Miss Ru'ya Ishraqi (daughter of above), Mrs Tahirih Siyavushi (wife of Jamshid, hanged 16 June), Miss Muna Mahmudnizhad (daughter of Yadu'llah, executed 12 March), Miss Zarrin Muqimi-Abyanih, Miss Shahin (Shirin) Dalvand, Miss Akhtar Thabit, Miss Simin Sabiri, Miss Mahshid Nirumand

1991: Death of John Robarts, prominent Canadian Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause of God



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1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá confers upon New York City the title of "City of the Covenant". On the same day, he explains to the believers there His station as the Centre of Baha'u'llah's Covenant.

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1968: Establishment of the Continental Board of Counsellors by the Universal House of Justice

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1968: to 23 June; First National Bahá'í Youth Conference in the United States, held in Wilmette, Illinois

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1870: Mirzá Mihdí dies in 'Akká after falling through a skylight.

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1926: Birth of Enoch Olinga, Hand of the Cause of God and Knight of Bahá'u'lláh for British Cameroon.

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1892: Edward G. Browne is advised of the ascension of Bahá'u'lláh in a letter dated this day by Mirza Badi'u'llah

1942: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God 'Abdu'l-Jalil Bey Sa'd

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1848: Conference of Badasht begins, and runs till the 17th July

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1965: Death of 'Alí Akbar Rafi'í Rafsanjání, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to Morocco, International Zone.

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1914: The heir to the Austrian throne is assassinated in Sarajevo. 'Abdu'l-Bahá instructs all pilgrims to leave the Holy Land.

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1850: Vahíd is mutilated and killed in Nayríz.

1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá hosts first Unity Feast at the Wilhelm properties in W. Englewood, New Jersey.

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1967: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Cameroon

## July

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1964: Dedication of the Mother Temple of Europe in Langenhain, Germany.

1985: The Universal House of Justice publishes the compilation on "The Law of Huququ'llah"

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1989: Death of prominent Hand of the Cause of God and International Bahá'í Council member, Ugo Giachery

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1845: The Báb is publicly interrogated, struck in the face and released into the custody of His uncle.

1968: Death of Hand of the Cause of God Hermann Grossmann

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1850: The Báb is publicly executed in Tabriz.

1950: Completion of the Arcade and Parapet of the Shrine of the Báb on Mt. Carmel.

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1960: Horace Holley, prominent Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause passes away in Haifa, Israel.

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1974: Dedication of the John Bosch Bahá'í Summer School in Santa Cruz, California.

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1932: Bahá'u'lláh's daughter the Greatest Holy Leaf, Bahíyyih Khánum, passes away about one hour after midnight.

1961: Judges in the case against the Local Spiritual Assembly of Ankara disregard the findings of the scholars and "declared that the Bahá'í Faith was a 'Tarighat' " (Ministry of the Custodians, p. 308)

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1909: Muhammad-'Ali Shah abdicates after an armed revolt.

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1848: Conference of Badasht concludes

1889: The "Son of the Wolf" drives over a hundred Bahá'ís out of their cities near Isfahan.

1982: First gathering held in the Permanent Seat of the Universal House of Justice on Mt. Carmel was a seminar on the life of the Greatest Holy Leaf (The Bahá'í World, Vol. XVII)

19

1907: The Chicago Bahá'í Assembly files for incorporation, the first Bahá'í community to achieve legal status.

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1848: Mullá Ḥusayn hoists the Black Standard and marches with 202 other Bábís from Mashad to Mazindaran

1875: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God, Agnes Alexander

1953: to 26 July; 14 Hands of the Cause attended the European Intercontinental Teaching Conference, one of the conferences launching the 10 Year Crusade.

22

1919: Martha Root leaves New York on the first of many teaching journeys for the Faith

1965: Death of distinguished Bahá'í Leroy Ioas, Hand of the Cause and past Secretary General of the International Bahá'í Council.

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1958: to July 29: Intercontinental Conference, Frankfurt, Germany.

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1868: Sultan 'Abdu'l-'Aziz orders the perpetual banishment of Bahá'u'lláh.

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1953: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God, Siegfried Schopflocher

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1914: Austria declares war on Servia.

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1831: Birth of Apostle of Bahá'u'lláh and noted historian Nabíl-i-A'zam

1980: Death of Adelbert Mühlischlegel, Hand of the Cause of God and prominent German Bahá'í

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1951: Louis Gregory dies in Eliot, Maine; he is posthumously appointed as a Hand of the Cause by Shoghi Effendi.

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1963: Death of pioneer and notable Bahá'í Genevieve Coy

## August

1

1855: Birth of John Bosch, founder of the Bosch Baha'i School

1927: Bahá'í Summer School opened at Geyserville, California on a property donated by John Bosch.

1985: Martyrdom of Mr 'Abbas Aydil-Khani, executed in prison in Tihiran. His grave was accidently discovered near Tihiran. He had been imprisoned on 26 April 1982 in Zanjan.

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1951: First Bahá'í pioneers to Uganda: Musa Banani (later a Hand of the Cause) and Ali Nakhjavani (later a member of the Universal House of Justice) with family, and Philip Hainsworth.

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1918: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1982) Amoz Gibson

1960 : Cable from the Hands of the Cause of God announcing the expulsion as Covenant Breakers of John Carre, Barnard Fillon, Moneer Darakhshan, Joel Marangela, Jaques Soghomonian, Donald Harvey, John Byers and Mary Wilkin

1986: Sir Thomas Davis, Prime Minister of the Cook Islands, visits Israel to consult with the Universal House of Justice on world peace.

4

1890: Date on the first of the 12 letters sent to Edward Granville Browne by 'Abdu'l-Baha

1914: England declares war on Germany.

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1910: Mary Sutherland Maxwell, later to be known as Amatu'l-Bahá Ruhíyyih Khanum, is born in New York City to parents May Maxwell and William Sutherland Maxwell.

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The Universal House of Justice publishes the compilation on "Peace"

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1872: Birth of prominent Bahá'í and "foremost travel teacher in the first Bahá'í Century", Martha Root

1910: Though in very poor health due to his long imprisonment, 'Abdu'l-Bahá journeys to Egypt to spread the Faith accompanied by Shoghi Effendi.

1968: Death of Lutfu'lláh Hakím, Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1968) and International Bahá'í Council member.

11

1911: 'Abdu'l-Bahá sails for Marseille

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1868: Departure of Baha'u'llah from Adrianople

1868: Mirzá Yahyá responds to Bahá'u'lláh's public claim by also claiming he was a messenger of God.

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1863: Bahá'u'lláh departs by steamer from the port of Samsun to Constantinople.

1980: Translations of the Long Healing Prayer and of the Fire Tablet sent by the Universal House of Justice to the Bahá'í world

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1852: Angry Bábís (acting on their own volition) make a failed attempt to kill Nasser al-Din Shah

1864: Díyá'u'lláh is born to Fátimih and Bahá'u'lláh.

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1863: Arrival of Bahá'u'lláh in Constantinople at noon

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1891: Date of the third letter sent to Edward G. Browne by 'Abdu'l-Baha

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1901: Sultan 'Abdu'l-Hamid re-imposes confinement of 'Abdu'l-Bahá et al. within the walls of 'Akká

1909: Birth of Paul Haney, Custodian and Hand of the Cause

1921: Agnes Baldwin Alexander becomes the first Bahá'í to visit Korea

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1868: Bahá'u'lláh departs from Gallipoli by steamer for Haifa and then by sail to 'Akká.

1969: Passing of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Miss Evelyn Baxter

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1981: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "The Assistance of God"

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1963: The Universal House of Justice advises the Baha'i world that the temple in 'Ishqabad had been demolished and the site cleared, due to damage sustained in the earthquakes of 1948. (The Universal House of Justice, Messages 1963 to 1986, p. 12)

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1992: The 44th session of the Sub-Commission of Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities of the United Nations passes a resolution drawing attention to the renewed persecution of religious minorities and summary killings of Bahá'ís.

28

1851: Bahá'u'lláh arrives in Karbilá, Iraq for the start of a 10 month pilgrimage, during which He spread the Báb's Teachings to the people.

1985: Mr Rahmatu'llah Vujdani is executed by firing squad in Bandar, 'Abbas (Iran)

29

1910: 'Abdu'l-Bahá leaves the Holy Land for the first time in forty-two years, journeying to Egypt.

1983: Iran's Prosecutor-General announces the formal banning of all Bahá'í religious institutions in the country, and declares membership in them and service to them to be criminal offences.

31

1868: Bahá'u'lláh arrives in the prison city of 'Akká.

1876: 'Abdu'l-Hamid II becomes Sultan, upon which the banishment decree of Sultan 'Abdu'l-Aziz is relaxed.

1988: "...the Universal House of Justice appointed a task force to study possibilities open to the Bahá'í International Community in connection with the observance of 1990 as International Literacy Year and to suggest means by which the worldwide Bahá'í community could promote a new approach to basic education inspired by the Teachings of Bahá'u'lláh." (1 January 1989, International Teaching Centre, "Task Force on Education")

# September

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1984: Dedication of the House of Worship in Apia, Western Samoa.

2

1868: The Governor of 'Akká, on a visit to the Bahá'ís in the city barracks shortly after their arrival, is deeply impressed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá and is moved to improve their conditions.

1919: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Hájí Mírzá Ḥasan-i-Adíbu'l-'Ulamá (known as Mírzá Ḥasan or Adíb)

1968: Death of Hand of the Cause, Tarázu'lláh Samandari.

4

1848: Muhammad Shah, intending to order the death of Bahá'u'lláh, dies, and is succeeded as Sháh of Persia by 17-year old Násiri'd-Dín Sháh. Hájí Mírza Aqásí, chief antagonist of the Báb and the Antichrist of the Bábí Faith, is expelled from the capital.

1911: 'Abdu'l-Bahá's arrival in London

1943: First Local Spiritual Assembly is formed in Alaska at Anchorage.

1971: Death of Hand of the Cause of God, Musa Banani

1995: The Fourth World Conference on Women begins in Beijing, China; the conference is attended by more than 500 Bahá'ís and an official delegation from the Bahá'í International Community.

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1973: Death of John Ferraby, Hand of the Cause, and Custodian of the Bahá'í Faith

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1908: Hand of the Cause of God and well celebrated author Hasan Balyuzi is born.

8

1979: The House of the Báb in Shiraz, Iran is destroyed by Revolutionary Guardsmen, and later razed by the government.

9

1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá's visit to Montreal ends.

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1911: 'Abdu'l-Bahá gives his first address to a Western audience in City Temple, London. The English translation is spoken by Wellesley Tudor Pole.

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1956: and November 12; First All-Taiwan Teaching Conference held in Tainan, Taiwan

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1976: Malietoa Tanumafili II of Western Samoa visits Shoghi Effendi's grave in London, England.

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1882: Khadijih-Bagum, wife of the Báb, dies in Shíráz.

1902: Mírza 'Azizu'llah visits Count Leo Tolstoy and speaks at length about the history, teachings, and station of Bahá'u'lláh.

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1961: Dedication of the House of Worship in Sydney, Australia by 'Amatu'l-Bahá Ruhíyyih Khánum

1979: Death of Enoch Olinga, Hand of the Cause of God and Knight of Bahá'u'lláh for British Cameroon.

Murdered by unknown gunmen.

1991: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Prayers and Passages from the Holy Writings"

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1875: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God Roy C. Wilhelm

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1935: Birth of prolific author and founding member of the Association for Bahá'í Studies, William S. Hatcher

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1958: to September 29; Intercontinental Conference, Singapore

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1846: The Báb is arrested in Shíráz at the house of His uncle, and is released on the condition that He leave the area.

1893: First public mention of the Bahá'í Faith in North America. In a session of the World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago, the Reverend George A. Ford, a Syrian missionary, reads a paper talking about Bahá'u'lláh.

1918: 'Akká is liberated by British and Indian cavalry; 'Abdu'l-Bahá is again freed.

1955: to 25; First International conference to be held in Japan, the International Teaching Conference, held in Nikko. Subsequently known as the Nikko Conference. (Japan Will Turn Ablaze, p. 87 and p. 97)

2007: Passing of Dr. 'Alí-Muhammad Varqá, the longest surviving Hand of the Cause of God.

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1920: Excavation begins for the foundation of the North American House of Worship in Wilmette, Illinois.

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1939: Death in Hawaii of prominent Bahá'í and "foremost travel teacher in the first Bahá'í Century", Martha Root

1957: to September 30; First Bahá'í Summer School held in Taiwan

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1906: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1987) Charles Wolcott.

1990: Death of prominent Australian Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause Collis Featherstone

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1912: death of Disciple of 'Abdu'l-Bahá and Hand of the Cause Thornton Chase

1978: to October 1; Bahá'í Studies Seminar held in Cambridge

## October

1

1911: Regina Nur Mahal Khanum, and Mirza Yuhanna Dawud are married by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1954: Anthony and Mamie Seto arrive in Hong Kong

1954: The land of Mount Carmel transferred to the title of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Canada, Israel Branch. Title deed is for Parcel No. 304, Block 10811, Mount Carmel, Haifa.

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1957: Shoghi Effendi sends cables of appointment to the third contingent of Hands of the Cause - Hasan Balyuzi, Abu'l-Qasim Faizi, H. Collis Featherstone, John Ferraby, Rahmatu'llah Muhajir, Enoch Olinga, John Robarts, William Sears

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1911: 'Abdu'l-Baha begins his first visit to Paris, which lasts 9 weeks till 2 December.

1939: Shoghi Effendi designates Martha Root as a Hand of the Cause

1987: The Bahá'í Faith becomes the sixth world religion to join the Network On Conservation and Religion of the World Wide Fund for Nature.

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1958: First Bahá'í wedding of Malaya takes place between Tony Fernandez and Betty

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1953: to 15 Oct; the Asian Intercontinental Teaching Conference was held in New Delhi, India, the first international Bahá'í gathering in the East.

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1964: Incorporation of the National Spiritual Assembly of Vietnam

1967: Laying of the foundation stone of the Mother Temple of Latin America, Panama City

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1848: Mullá Husayn and 71 fellow Bábís are besieged at Fort Tabarsi, eventually to be surrounded by twenty thousand soldiers.

1958: to October 12; Second Taiwan Bahá'í Summer School held in Taipei

1959: to October 12; Third Bahá Summer School held in newly constructed Taiwan Bahá'í Centre. The highlight of the Summer School was the official opening of the Centre

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1989: Official approval by the Local Town Planning Committee and City Council of Haifa of the Town Planning Scheme for the initiation of the Projects on Mt Carmel

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1923: The National Spiritual Assembly of Britain holds its first meeting. It becomes the National Spiritual Assembly of the British Isles in 1930, and the National Spiritual Assembly of the United Kingdom in 1972

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1871: The famous writer and critic, Matthew Arnold, makes a brief reference to the Faith in an address that he gave to the Birmingham and Midland Institute (Great Britain).

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1992: Death of Helen Hornby, author of "Lights of Guidance"

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1985: Remains of Mirza Muhammad-Quli re-interred in new cemetery on a hillside looking across Lake Kinneret and the hills of Galilee towards the Qiblih of the Faith.

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1863: Bahá'u'lláh reveals the Tablet of the Bell (Lawh-i-Naqus) in His own Hand

1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá visits the grave of Thornton Chase in Inglewood, California.

1926: Birth of author and theologian Udo Schaefer

1966: Death of Malcolm King, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to British Guiana.

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1819: Birth of the Báb in Shiráz

1848: Quddús arrives at fort Tabarsí

1953: Frances Heller arrives in Hong Kong.

1983: The Universal House of Justice issues a letter to the Bahá'í world outlining the principles of the Faith concerning social and economic development.

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1964: Death of Roy Fernie, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Gilbert and Ellis Islands.

22

1954: "Approve star for graves." - cable from Shoghi Effendi.

1954: Mr and Mrs Suleimani arrive by ship in Keelung, Taiwan

1961: First Bahá'í wedding in Malaysia conducted, Mr. Sivalingam and Miss Puvaneswary married.

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1933: Death of Keith Ransom-Kehler, Hand of the Cause of God

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1945: Formal inauguration of the United Nations

1979: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Inspiring the Heart"

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1928: to 13 Nov; League of Nations upholds the Bahá'í claim to the house of Bahá'u'lláh in Baghdad. The government of Iraq refuses to transfer the property to the Bahá'ís.

1966: to November 11; Hand of the Cause of God Mr Tarázu'lláh Samandari visits Taiwan

1967: Death of Catherine Huxtable, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Gulf Islands.

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1980: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Attendance at National Spiritual Assembly Meetings"

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1941: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1993 to -) Dr. Farzam Arbab

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1971: Passing of Dr Habib Mu'ayyad to the Abha Kingdom

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1898: Mirza Díyá'u'lláh passes away

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1962: Fourteen Moroccan Bahá'í men, arrested in Nador in April, are "tried before the Criminal Court of Nador on charges of rebellion and disorder, attacks on public security, constitution of an association of criminals, and attacks on religious faith." (The Universal House of Justice, Messages 1963 to 1986, p. 19)

## November

1

1861: Birth of Corinne True, Hand of the Cause of God

1871: Birth of Lua Getsinger

1914: Miss Agnes B. Alexander reaches Japan for the first time

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1901: Birth of John Robarts, prominent Canadian Bahá'í and Hand of the Cause of God

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1870: Bahá'u'lláh is released from the prison barracks to house within 'Akká at the house of 'Udí Khammár.

1957: Shoghi Effendi passes away, aged 61, from a heart attack in London



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1961: The call for the election of the Universal House of Justice is made by the Hands of the Cause in their message to the Bahá'í world

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1957: The funeral of Shoghi Effendi is held in London.

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1898: Khayru'lláh arrives in Akka. 'Abdu'l-Bahá calls him "Bahá's Peter".

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1817: Birth of Bahá'u'lláh: founder of the Bahá'í Faith. Born Mirza Husayn 'Aliy-i-Nuri, at dawn in Tihiran, Iran

1936: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1987 to -) Dr Peter Khan

1955: Death of Hand of the Cause and trustee of Ḥuququ'lláh, Valíyu'lláh Varqá

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1898: Ground breaking ceremony for the Shrine of the Báb.

1986: Death of Dhikru'lláh Khádem, Hand of the Cause of God

14

1874: Birth of Hand of the Cause William Sutherland Maxwell

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1955: Shoghi Effendi announces by cablegram the appointment of 'Alí Muhammad Varqá as Hand of the Cause of God and Trustee of Huququ'lláh, to succeed his father who had passed to the Abha Kingdom.

16

1889: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God Shu'a'u'llah 'Ala'i

1984: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Shu'a'u'llah 'Ala'i

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1985: The Universal House of Justice announces the interment of the remains of Mírzá Muhammad-Qulí in new Bahá'í cemetery looking towards the Qiblih

18

1957: to November 25; Inaugural Conclave of the Hands of the Cause of God in Bahji

1960: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God, Clara Dunn

1982: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Family Life"

19

1957: The Hands of the Cause of God declare that no will had been left by the Guardian and no successor was, or could be, named.

1980: Death of Hand of the Cause, Abu'l-Qásim Faizi

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1953: Formation of the Israel Branch of the Bahá'ís of Canada

1960: Laying of the cornerstone of the House of Worship in Frankfurt

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1925: Death of Hand of the Cause and Disciple of 'Abdu'l-Bahá John Esslemont

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1981: Publication by the Universal House of Justice of the compilation on "Excellence In All Things"

1992: The Second Baha'i World Congress begins in New York City.

1992: The Special Representative's report to the United Nations General Assembly was released and, in relation to the Bahá'ís, was the strongest one to date.

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1957: Unanimous proclamation of the 27 Hands of the Cause of God, Mansion of Bahá'u'lláh Bahjí, 'Akká

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1901: First celebration of the Day of the Covenant in North America

1960: Cable from the Hands of the Cause of God to all National Spiritual Assemblies announcing expulsion of Mason Remey and declaring him to be a Covenant Breaker.

1972: Adoption of the Constitution of the Universal House of Justice

1992: The Second Baha'i World Congress ends in New York City.

1999: The Universal House of Justice announces the advent of the upcoming "One-Year" and "Five-Year" plans

2003: Death of Hand of the Cause 'Alí-Akbar Furútan

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1929: Restoration of the Mansion at Bahjí begins.

2005: Death of prolific author and founding member of the Association for Bahá'í Studies, William S. Hatcher

28

1902: Commencement of the construction of the Mashriqu'l-Adhkár of 'Ishqábád with the laying of the cornerstone.

1921: 'Abdu'l-Bahá passes away in Haifa, aged 78, and appoints Shoghi Effendi as the Guardian in his Will and Testament.

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1865: Birth of Margaret Stevenson, the first New Zealand Bahá'í

## December

1

1866: Bahá'í pioneer Marion Jack is born in Saint John, New Brunswick.

1920: passing of Lillian Kappes in Tihran

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1928: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 2005) Ian Semple

1957: Title to the Shrine of Bahá'u'lláh, the Mansion of Bahjí, and all other buildings and lands which the Covenant-breakers had owned there transferred to the United States National Spiritual Assembly.

3

1842: Birth of Phoebe Hearst ('Mother of the Faithful') in Franklin County, Missouri

1899: Charles Mason Remey becomes a Bahá'í.

1982: Death of Paul Haney, Custodian and Hand of the Cause, in a motor vehicle accident.

5

1912: 'Abdu'l-Bahá sets sail on the S.S. Celtic from New York for Liverpool

1913: 'Abdu'l-Bahá's return to the Holy Land.

1981: The Bahá'í cemetery in Tihran seized "by order of the Revolutionary Court, 5 caretakers and 8 temporary workers arrested, and cemetery closed. " (The Universal House of Justice, Messages 1963 to 1986, p. 510)

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1953: Shoghi Effendi appoints Jalal Khazeh a Hand of the Cause of God.

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1953: Cablegram from Shoghi Effendi to the Bahá'í world “announcing the elevation of Jalal Khazeh to” the “rank of Hand of Cause”.

1961: An article appears in the nationally prominent Moroccan newspaper Al Alam, lamenting the decline of Islam and attacking the Bahá'í Faith.

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1970: Government of Taiwan grants Certificate of Registration to register the Bahá'í Faith as a religion

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1909: Birth of Gertrude Blum, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to the Solomon Islands.

1917: General Allenby enters Jerusalem. Major Wellesley Tudor Pole risks court martial to alert the British Cabinet to the danger of 'Abdu'l-Bahá.

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1898: Arrival of the first group of Western pilgrims, totalling 15 in number, in 'Akká.

1922: Formation of the first Local Spiritual Assembly in Canada in Montreal.

1962: Fourteen Moroccan Bahá'í men, arrested in Nador in April, were found guilty of the charges of rebellion and disorder, attacks on public security, constitution of an association of criminals, and attacks on religious faith.” and were sentenced.

1964: Death of Alyce Janssen, Knight of Bahá'u'lláh named for pioneering to Spanish Morocco.

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1967: The Baha'i Campus Club was started at the University of New Brunswick, Canada

12

1844: The Báb, accompanied by Quddus, arrives in Mecca on pilgrimage.

1863: Arrival of Bahá'u'lláh in Adrianople after a journey of 12 days. There had been brief halts at Kuchik-Chakmachih, Buyuk-Chakmachih, Salvári, Birkas, and Baba-Iski during journey

1977: The initial broadcast of the first radio station in the Bahá'í world, in Ecuador.

13

1946: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Muhammad Taqi-i-Isfahani

1963: Bahá'í prisoners in Morocco were released under order of the Supreme Court after having been imprisoned under threat of death.

1985: The United Nations General Assembly adopts their first resolution on human rights that specifically mentions the situation of the Bahá'ís in Iran.

14

1962: The Regional Court of Nador in Morocco announces its verdict in the case of the 14 Baha'is brought before it.

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1922: Shoghi Effendi returns to Holy Land to resume duties as Guardian.

1946: Completion of plans for erection of arcade of the Shrine of the Báb.

16

1950: Mazra'ih leased from Israeli authorities

2001: Philip Hainsworth, one of the six Bahá'ís who founded the Bahá'í community in Uganda in 1951, passes away at the age of 82

17

1919: 'Abdu'l-Bahá's replies to a letter addressed to Him by the Executive Committee of the Central Organization for a Durable Peace. It was despatched to the Committee at The Hague by the hands of a special

delegation. See "Tablet to the Hague" by 'Abdu'l-Bahá.

18

1992: The United Nations General Assembly passed a strong resolution making special reference to the treatment of the Bahá'í community and expressing regret that "the Islamic Republic of Iran has not given adequate follow-up to many of the recommendations contained in the previous reports."

19

1953: First Baha'i of Malaya (Malaysia) Yankee Leong declares in Seremban.

1971: Erection of Obelisk on Mt. Carmel to mark site of future Mashriqu'l-Adhkár.

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1844: The Báb stands at the Ka'bih (holiest shrine of Islam) and declared three times in the presence of 100,000 pilgrims that He was the Qa'im (the Promised One) awaited by Shi'ih Muslims

1920: Construction begins on the House of Worship in Wilmette, Illinois.

1956: Publication in the Official Gazette of the Government of Israel of the issue of an expropriation order against the Covenant-Breakers in possession of the Holy Shrines at Bahji. This order was immediately appealed by the Covenant-Breakers to the Supreme Court.

21

1898: Birth of Hand of the Cause of God Dorothy Baker

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1918: Ahmad Sohrab leaves the Holy Land to take the Tablets of the Divine Plan to America.

1951: Passing of Hand of the Cause of God Roy C. Wilhelm

24

1951: First contingent of 12 Hands of the Cause appointed by Shoghi Effendi announced (cables of appointment had been sent the previous day) - Dorothy Baker, Amelia E. Collins, 'Ali-Akbar Furutan, Ugo Giachery, Hermann Grossmann, Horace Holley, Leroy Ioas, William Sutherland Maxwell, Charles Mason Remey, Tarazu'llah Samandari, George Townshend, Valiyyu'llah Varqa

1986: Dedication of the House of Worship of the Indian Subcontinent in New Delhi, India.

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1939: Bodies of the Purest Branch and of the mother of 'Abdu'l-Bahá re-interred on Mt Carmel

1967: Death of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Charles Dunning

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1920: Death of Haji Mirza Haydar-'Ali in Haifa

1920: Opening of the first All-India Bahá'í Convention in Bombay

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1911: Birth of Universal House of Justice member (1963 to 1993) Hugh Chance

1911: Mirza Abul Fazl Gulpaygan writes "The Brilliant Proof", in Syria

1999: The Universal House of Justice announces that the laws of fasting, obligatory prayers, ablutions and chanting the Greatest Name 95 times per day are now binding on all Bahá'ís.

29

1921: Shoghi Effendi arrives in Haifa, accompanied by Lady Blomfeld and his sister Rouhangeze.

1979: Death of Rahmatu'lláh Muhájir, Hand of the Cause of God and Knight of Bahá'u'lláh

31

1843: passing of Sayyid Kazim

1939: Passing of Lady Blomfield

