The Beloved Muhammad Osman Chou (Chini Sahib)



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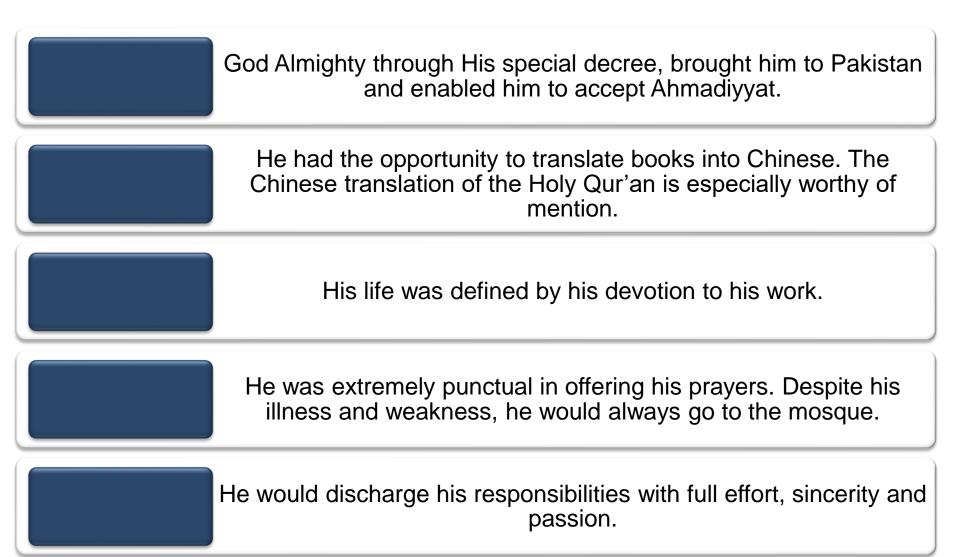
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Summary

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

A few days ago, a revered member and a scholar of the Community, Respected Osman Chini Sahib passed away. Innaa Lillah Wa Innaa Ilaihi Raji'oon.

He wrote his memoir in which he has shed ample light on his relationship with God Almighty, how He guided him towards accepting Ahmadiyyat, acquiring religious knowledge and subsequently dedicating his life.

These are very faith inspiring incidents. There is so much information about his circumstances, his life, his services and his character, that one could compile a book.

God Almighty through His special decree, brought him to Pakistan from a remote part of China and enabled him to accept Ahmadiyyat. Sahib)

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

Osman Chini Sahib was known as 'Osman Chini, his full name was Mohammed Osman Chung Sai Chou. He passed away on the 13th April 2018. He was born into a Muslim family, on **13th December** 1925, in the **Chinese province** of Anhui.

In April 1957 he passed the Shahadatul Ajanib examination. This used to be a short course for missionaries. He dedicated his life on the 16th August 1959 and his first appointment was in January 1960.

In order to complete the Missionary Training course, he once again enrolled in Jamia Ahmadiyya in April 1961 and graduated in 1964 after having obtained the Shahid degree.

He came to Pakistan in 1949. Having conducted personal research, he performed the Bai'at

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

He had the opportunity to serve in Pakistan in Vakalat-e-Tasneef, Tahrik-e-Jadeed, Rabwah as a life-devotee and also served as a missionary in Karachi and Rabwah.

He had the opportunity to serve in Singapore and in Malaysia in 1966. He remained in Singapore for approximately three and a half years and spent almost four months in Malaysia.

He returned to Pakistan in 1970 and served as a missionary in various places. He also had the honour of performing the Umrah and the Hajj to the House of Allah.

After the migration of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV (rh), various offices were established here in London. With the increase workload, a Chinese desk was formed to work on translations of the literature of the Community. Thereafter, he was called to the UK.

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

The English titles of the Chinese literature that was prepared by Chini Sahib and under his supervision are as follows: 'My Life and Ancestry' in Chinese, 'Introduction to Morality' in Chinese.

These seven books have been written by him. Aside from these, there are approximately thirty-five books which he translated or which were translated under his supervision.

An Outline of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at', 'Outline of Islam', 'Fundamental Questions and Answers about Islam', 'Islamic Concept of Jihad and Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at' in Chinese, 'Ahmadiyya Muslim Community's Contribution to the World'.

He had the opportunity to translate books into Chinese. Among them, the Chinese translation of the Holy Qur'an is especially worthy of mention. He also wrote books on the beliefs and the teachings of the Community.

He also wrote about the need for Islam and religion in a person's life. These are his scholarly achievements, which I have briefly mentioned.

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Sahib

Comments of his wife

When I received the marriage proposal of Osman Sahib from Pakistan, initially my father did not agree due to the age difference.

My father did not inform me about this for several months. When he finally told me, he placed the letter before me so that I could decide for myself.

She then says, "I saw in a dream that I am standing in a large field in a foreign country completely empty handed. Suddenly, the thought of what will happen with me crosses my mind.

At that time, I saw a person dressed in white in the distance and I heard a voice that all of your requirements will be fulfilled through this person." As a result of this, I accepted this proposal.

Osman Sahib saw in a dream that when Mao Zedong passes away, his wife will come. At that time, Mao Zedong, who was the chairman of China, was not unwell and was in rather good health, living a comfortable life. Chini Sahib decided to write a letter to Mao Zedong.

Chini Sahib says, "I was on my way to post the letter, when I received the news of the demise of Mao Zedong." His wife then writes, "A few days following his demise, I received my passport.

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Comments of his wife

He was a good husband, in fact he was my spiritual guide. He was a patient man and would explain things in great depth using different examples.

He took very good care of his relatives. He called his mother over from China to Pakistan and cared for her." She says those times were difficult and they could only afford one bottle of milk in a day, yet, he would give that bottle to his mother. Whenever he went on a journey, he took his mother along with him. Chini Sahib served his mother very well. She says, "His life was defined by his devotion to his work. When he was in good health, he would work until late in his office and sometimes work through the night until the morning.

At home he was most concerned about bringing up his children in a righteous manner. He was very simple in his choice of food and clothing." Sahib)

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Comments of his daughters

His elder daughter, Dr. Qurratul-Ain writes: It is difficult for me to describe my father's attributes in words. He was kind, loving, hardworking, tireless, humble and an optimistic person. In our childhood he never scolded us, he would always explain things in an affectionate manner. The only time he was strict was in regard to the regularity in Salat. He was concerned about observing purdah while at the university.

He had instructed them to observe purdah when they were at university, and if it was essential to take off the veil, it was only to be for the duration of the classes, but then they should not be wearing any make-up.

His younger daughter Munazzah writes: Beside the five daily prayers in congregation, he encouraged his children to offer the Tahajjud prayers. He would wake us up for prayers by sprinkling water over us.

He would ask us to read the books by the Promised Messiah (as) and the Khulafah. He would sit with us for hours answering our questions patiently and would not be annoyed by small matters.

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Comment of his son

His son, Dr Daud Sahib writes: When I was young and would visit my father's office, if I ever tried to use a pen or pencil from my father's office, he would not allow me to do so.

He would say to my mother, 'buy him his own pen as he is in need of one.' If we ever had to do some photocopying, he would instruct us to bring the paper from home and only then use the photocopy machine.

He used to instruct us to learn the attributes of God; and that we should memorise all the names of God that reflect His attributes.

He wrote a poem in the Chinese language venerating all hundred attributes of God. He used to recite this poem every night.

He also set a competition between us siblings about who memorised the most attributes of God and would give a prize for that.

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Chini Sahib

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

Ataul Mujeeb Rashid Sahib has written about him, which is an accurate summary and is in complete accord with the truth.

He writes, "He was a man of lofty character. I was pondering over Chini Sahibs attributes. Among them was that he was always occupied in worship and had his prayers accepted.

He was extremely punctual in offering his prayers. Despite his illness and weakness, he would always go to the mosque. He was a pious, saintly man who did not look to harm anyone.

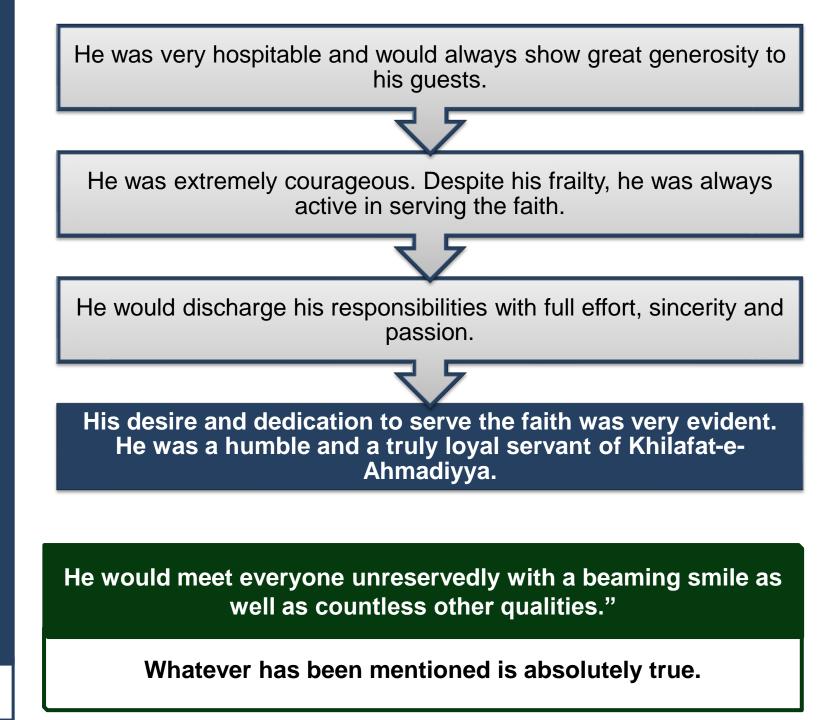
He would always want the best for everyone and would give sound advice to all.

He was simple and honest man.

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

May Allah the Almighty continue to elevate the status of respected Osman Chini Sahib

and grant patience and steadfastness to his wife and also become her helper and guardian.

Furthermore, may God Almighty enable his children to become the recipients of his prayers and virtues and enable them to follow in his footsteps. After the prayers, I will lead his funeral prayer in absentia, Insha'Allah [God Willing].

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